

IV APPENDIX

Please amend the claims to reflect the following changes:

1. A nozzle for the injection of fluid into a molding chamber comprising:
 - a hollow passage having a distal end for connecting a pressurized fluid supply to the interior of said chamber; and
 - a pin extending through said passage and reciprocal between an extended position and a retracted position, said pin having an enlarged distal portion extending beyond the distal end of said passage, said enlarged distal portion being at least partially within and substantially blocking said passage when said pin is in its retracted position.

7. A gas assisted injection molding apparatus comprising:
 - a molding chamber;
 - a supply of pressurized gas;
 - a hollow conduit communicating with said gas supply and extending into said chamber;
 - a pin extending through said conduit and reciprocal between an extended position and a retracted position, said pin having an enlarged distal portion which is positioned at least partially within and substantially closes said conduit when said pin is in said retracted position; and
 - an electronic actuator reciprocating said pin.